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AT NORD WE DO THINGS

The **Nord Piano 88** is a professional stage piano with 88 keys, featuring the well-known Stage series weighted hammer action. It is designed with the performing musician in mind without compromising quality or means of expression.

The Nord Piano Library DVD.

Acoustic, electric, vintage or contemporary piano sounds – its all here. And with unique features like String Resonance, totally replaceable sounds from the extensive Nord Piano Library and the dynamic piano pedal, the **Nord Piano** delivers in every aspect.

Character is everything

It's about time you stop playing the same lifeless and generic piano sounds that sits in your instrument for ever and ever.

Every acoustic and electric piano has its own personality and so do the sounds in the Nord Piano.

All the pianos are available on the included DVD or can be downloaded from the www.nordkeyboards.com web site.

Personal Choice

Not only can you effortlessly change the sounds and dial in the desired effect settings on the panel, the Nord Piano is the world's first stage piano that allows you to completely replace the piano sounds in the instrument. When your needs, or your mood changes, just download another piano from the large selection of unique sounds in the Nord Piano Library.

Exchanging the piano sounds inside your Nord Piano is easy. Connect the piano to your computer using the built-in USB-interface and your choice of sound is simply a matter of preferred style.

Perhaps the acoustic Grand Lady would suit your taste this morning? Or maybe one of the smaller, more intimate acoustic upright pianos is a better choice? Why not fit a vintage sparkle top electric piano too, and you'll be ready for the jazz gig later tonight.

Nord Piano Library at www.nordkeyboards.com

String Resonance

The Nord Piano incorporates a unique feature that greatly enhances the perceived realism of the acoustic piano sounds, called String Resonance.

What is String Resonance?

String Resonance is the acoustic phenomenon that occurs when un-dampened strings, or parts of strings, resonate at their fundamental or harmonic frequencies when other strings are played.

Using Nord's advanced String Resonance sampling technique, we have captured the real sympathetic resonance in each acoustic piano, to faithfully recreate all essential details of the original instrument.

What does it sound like?

Turn on the String Resonance on the panel. Play staccato notes or chords while silently holding down a few notes and listen to the resonating harmonics.

Play notes with the sustain pedal down, and listen to the wonderful, natural ambience generated by all 230 open strings in a grand piano.

Sometimes less is more

For rock and pop music, when sometimes a more dry and direct sound is desired, simply turn off the String Resonance.

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Nord Piano Pedal

The dynamic Nord Piano Pedal is included with the Nord Piano. It is designed to allow you to “play the pedal’’ in the same fashion as on an acoustic grand.

When you activate the sustain pedal, you can hear pedal noise and the dampers being lifted from the strings. The pedal is dynamic - the harder you hit the pedal, the louder the noise. You can even add percussive sounds from the mechanism by just striking the pedal itself. With the Nord Piano Pedal you can also use half-pedaling and other techniques like “catching’’ released keys.

Just as on an acoustic grand, the middle pedal is the sostenuto and the left is the “una corda”, also known as the soft pedal.

The Nord Piano Pedal

Effects, EQ and Amps

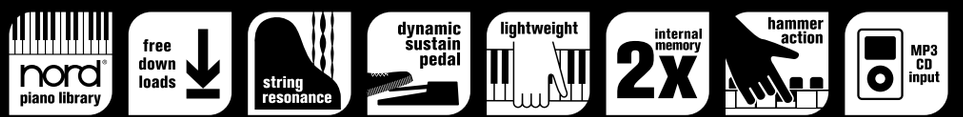
The effects in the Nord Piano are just as detailed as the piano sounds themselves. The tremolo adds that perfect vibe, the pan sweeps across the stereo panorama, and the auto-wah brings out the funk in you, like never before.

Whenever you want a modulation effect there’s a beautiful phaser, a screaming flanger and a lush chorus, all modeled from highly desirable vintage effects

The Nord Piano Speaker models faithfully reproduces the overdrive response of different amplifier/cabinet combinations. Select the desired speaker model - Small, JC or Twin - and use the Drive knob to add powerful tube amplifier distortion to your piano sound.

Lightweight

Even though the Nord Piano is built to easily cope with a hard touring life, it is the most lightweight and portable professional stage piano on the market at only 18 kg (39.6 lbs).



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Grands, Uprights and Harpsichords

All acoustic piano sounds are available in 3 sizes – small, medium and large

No matter which size you decide to download, you will have the same great sounding and very expressive piano at your fingers. The only differences between the three sizes are the use of the memory demanding String Resonance samples.

Grand Lady-D

This German 9-foot beast captures the full sound from the tapered, double crowned soundboard and every nuance resonating in the huge maple body.

Studio Grand 1

The recording of the Studio Grand was done with a close-up microphone positioning to provide you with a very projective character.

Studio Grand 2

The Studio Grand 2 is a meticulously prepared grand with a sonic response from the very softest pp passages to a strong FF presence.

Concert Grand 1, close

This mighty grand was captured with the microphones positioned close to the strings providing the ideal sound when you wish to add your own choice of ambience or performing live.

Concert Grand 1, amb

A grand piano with the preferred placement of the microphones, for a classical performance. The ambience is the grand piano itself interacting with the acoustics of the concert hall.

Blue Swede Upright

The Blue Swede is a tall upright from a Swedish piano manufacturer with a reputation for building great instruments.

Queen Upright

The clear, sustaining sound is typical for this upright, reflecting the selected materials and excellent finishing of the original instrument.

Romantic Upright

The touch and tone of the Romantic Upright are harmonized perfectly from the powerful bass notes up to the sparkling treble register.

HonkyTonk Upright

With nails replacing the traditional felt hammers, this piano most certainly has a sound of its own.

Saloon Upright

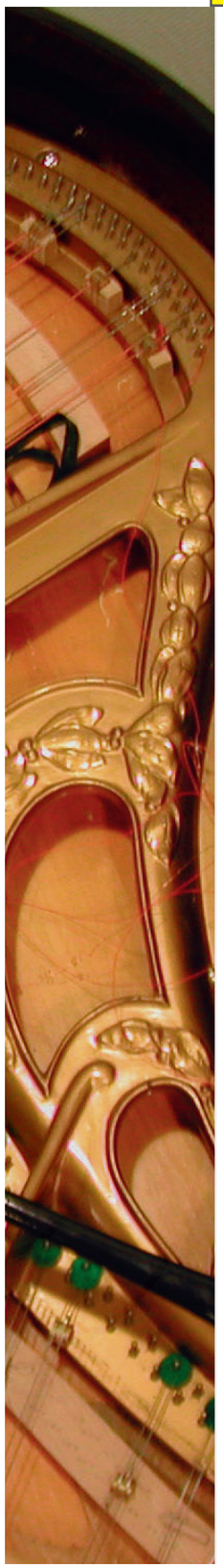
Look no further for a great, ragtime and boogie'ing personality. The Saloon Upright is heavily de-tuned, do not sit with your back towards the door..

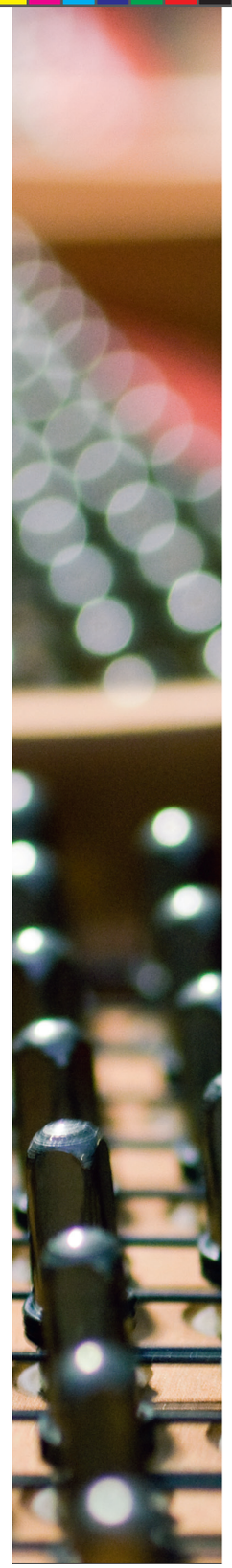
French Harpsichord

This is a triple stringed French harpsichord, recorded in various settings at the Swedish National Radio.

Italian Harpsichord

This instrument is a beautiful Italian double stringed harpsichord, recorded at the Swedish National Radio.





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Electrics

Electric Grand CP80

The touring and recording Electric Grand from the 80's, with a very characteristic sound. The leather hammers, short strings and the lack of a resonant body helped to produce a unique sound.

Electric Grand Model G

This is a one of a kind custom modified Gärbstedt acoustic grand piano fitted with CP-80 pick-ups.

EP Tines 1, Mk I Deep

Manufactured in May 1978 and adjusted to "deep timbre adjustment" which gives the piano a warm sound with a rich fundamental.

EP Tines 2, Mk I Suitcase

Manufactured in January 1975. We fine-tuned the mechanics and adjusted the tines according to the 'ideal' timbre adjustment.

EP Tines 3, Mk II Shallow Close

Manufactured in April 1981 and adjusted to 'shallow' timbre.

EP Tines 4, Mk V Ideal Close

Manufactured in June 1984 and adjusted to 'ideal' timbre. The sound of the Mark V offers improved clarity in the upper range, better consistency of tone in the low range and increased sustain.

Bright Tines

We prepared our magnificent 1975 mk I Suitcase with a special selection of hard hammer tips in certain ranges, an adjustment of the striking line and re-voicing of the harp, in order to get "that" bell sound.

Sparkle Top

All the tine based electric pianos manufactured during the period of the late sixties featured wooden piano hammers (felt-covered, teardrop shape) and non-tapered Raymac tines. This combination produced the raw, bell-like sound heard on many famous recordings.

EP Reeds 1, 200 A

Some say that this fat reed-sound of the Wurlitzer 200 A fits better in a pop- or guitar-oriented setting than the tine based electric pianos.

Clavinet

The Clavinet is represented with all the possible 4 pick-up selections from the original.

Original Sounds for Free

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All the pianos are available on the included DVD, or can be downloaded at www.nordkeyboards.com free of charge.

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Specifications

TECHNICAL

- 88 keys, weighted hammer action

Piano Section

- 6 selectable categories (types of pianos) – Grand, Upright, Electric Pianos, Electric Grands, Clavinet & Harpsichord. Each category can contain several different models.
- LCD Display – provides information on program name and piano model
- 24 banks with 5 programs each – 120 programs
- Live Mode – 5 Live programs
- Panel Transpose: +/- 6 semitones
- Kbd Touch: 4 velocity response curves
- Mono Output – stereo pianos can be played back in mono

Memory

- Approx. 500 MB is available for the piano sounds

Effects Section

- Effect 1 – pan, tremolo, auto-wah, three selectable depths for the pan and tremolo, rate controlled with the Effect 1 Rate knob.
- Effect 2 – phaser, flanger and chorus, three selectable depths, rate controlled with the Effect 2 Rate knob.
- Amp/Comp – three amp/speaker simulations and a compressor, drive/compression amount controlled with the Drive knob.
- Reverb with six algorithms – Room 1 & 2, Stage 1 & 2, Hall 1 & 2, Dry/Wet control.
- Three band EQ, with sweepable mid. +/- 15 dB gain/attenuation.

Connections

- 2 Audio outputs L & R – ¼", 6,35 mm jacks, unbalanced
- 1 Monitor input – 1/8", 3,5 mm stereo jack
- 1 Headphone output – ¼", 6,35 mm stereo jack
- 1 Piano pedal input – ¼", 6,35 mm jack
- MIDI In, MIDI Out – 5 pin DIN connectors
- USB – type B connector
- IEC320 C7 power connector

Dimensions

- 1284 mm (50.5"), 121 mm (4.8"), 340 mm (13.4")

Weight

- 18 kg (39.6 lbs)

Included accessories

- Nord Piano Pedal
- User Manual
- Power Cord
- USB Cord
- Nord DVD-ROM

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- Nord Keyboard Stand EX
- Nord Soft Case
- Nord Music Stand EX

All specifications subject to change without notice.

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